CHAPTER TWO

PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY

2.1 Phonemes and their realisations

2.1.1 Phoneme inventory

Gooniyandi has nineteen consonant phonemes and three vowels, one of which has distinctive length. They are as indicated in Tables 2-1A and 2-1B.

Table 2-1A: *Consonant phonemes*

	Bilabial	Apico-alveolar	Apico-post-alveolar	Lamino-dental	Lamino palatal	Dorso-velar
Stops	*b*	*d*	*rd*	*th*	*j*	*g*
Nasals	*m*	*n*	*rn*	*nh*	*ny*	*ng*
Laterals		*l*	*rl*		*ly*	
Tap/Flap		*dl*				
Glides	*w*		*r*		*y*	

Table 2-1B: *Vowel phonemes*

	Front	Back
High	*i*	*oo*
Low	*a*	*aa*

McGregor, William. 1990. A Functional Grammar of Gooniyandi. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.